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SUBJ: OECD TRADE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION OF EXPORT CONTROLS.
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1. SUMMARY. TC SHOWED SURPRISINGLY LITTLE INTEREST IN
EXPORT CONTROLS. END SUMMARY.

2. SEVERAL DELS FELT THEY WERE A POTENTIALLY SERIOUS
PROBLEM BUT WERE UNSURE AT THIS STAGE ABOUT DESIRABILITY
OF WORKING OUT NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
FOR AVOIDING OR COPING WITH THEM. SWEDISH DEL,
(EWRLOF) FOR EXAMPLE, SAID THAT TCWP REPORT ON CONSULTA-
TIONS ON US EXPORT CONTROLS HAD NOT MADE CASE FOR REINFORCED
COOPERATION. HE NOTED THAT TC PROCEDURES FOR NOTIFICATION
AND CONSULTATION WERE ADEQUATE IF USED, AND DOUBTED THE
UTILITY OF SETTING UP A FORMAL MONITORING SYSTEM TO DETECT
EARLY ON ITEMS LIKELY TO MOVE IN SHORT SUPPLY, PARTICULARLY
SINCE OECD AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE, FAO AND VARIOUS COMMODITY
BODIES WERE ALREADY ENGAGED IN THAT ACTIVITY. EC DEL
(HIJZEN) THOUGH MOST TC COULD DO WAS TO KEEP ITEM ON
ITS AGENDA AND ASK TCWP KEEP SUBJECT UNDER REVIEW IN LIGHT
OF SECTION IN ITS REPORT, TC (73)17, LESSONS TO BE DRAWN FROM RECENT
EXPERIENCE." SEVERAL DELS SUPORTED US SUGGESTIONS, MADE
AT TCWP CONSULTATION ON US EXPORT CONTROLS, FOR
SECRETARIAT TO COMPILE INVENTORY FOR EXISTING EXPORT
CONTROLS IN MEMBER COUNTRIES.

3. US DEL (BRUNGART, SUBSTITUTING FOR RENNER) SAID THAT
TCWP CONSULTATION HAD CLOSED BOOK ON QUESTION OF US
CONTROLS, TC SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS ABOUT DRAWING GENERAL
CONCLUSIONS ON BASIS OF BRIEF EXPERIENCE OF ONE COUNTRY'S
TEMPORARY CONTROLS, AND EMPHASIZED OF ONE COUNTRY'S
TEMPORARY CONTROLS, AND EMPHASIZED THAT MTN OFFERS MAJOR
OPPORTUNITY TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE
IN AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES IN MANNER WHICH COULD CON-
TRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO RESOLUTION OF DIFFICULTIES
CREATED BY BOTH SHORTAGES AND SURPLUSES.

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4. JAPANESE DEL (MIYZAKI), WHICH REQUESTED FORMAL
CONSUTATION ON US CONTROLS AT JULY 5-6 XCSS AND HAD
PRESSED FOR CONSIDERATION OF SEVERAL FORMS OF REINFORCED
COOPERATION AT TCWP CONSULTATION (USOECD 25538), WAS
STRANGELY SILENT, PERHAPS IN RECOGNITION OF GENERAL
SENTIMENT AGAINST BREAKING NEW GROUND IN THIS FIELD AT
THIS STAGE.

5. TC'S CONCLUSIONS ON THIS POINT WERE: THE COMMITTEE

A.) TOOK NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE WORKING PARTY

(TC(73)17);

B.) INSTRUCTED THE WORKING PARTY TO UNDERTAKE THE
GENERAL EXAMINATION OF THE QUESTIONS RAISED IN PART II
OF THE REPORT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK INDICATED BY THE
COMMITTEE DURING THE DISCUSSION AND INVITED THE
WORKING PARTY TO REPORT TO IT ON THIS SUBJECT AT THE
APPROPRIATE TIME;

C.) REQUESTED THE SECRETARIAT TO INFORM THE COUNCIL
OF THE CONSULTATION WHICH HAS TAKEN PLACE AND OF THE
COMMITTEE'S INTENTION TO KEEP THE GENERAL PROBLEM OF
EXPORT CONTROLS ON ITS AGENDA, CONSONANT WITH THE
INTEREST IN MAINTAINING THE NORMAL FLOW OF INTERNA-
TIONAL TRADE.

6. MISSION COMMENT: POINT 5B, ABOVE, SUGGESTS STRONGER
TC INTEREST IN FURTHER WORK IN THIS AREA THAN WAS
ACTUALLY THE CASE. CONCLUSIONS WERE APPROVED IN HASTE
LATE SECOND DAY ON BASIS QUICK SUMMARY BY SECRETARIAT.
MISSION DOUBTS TCWP WILL DO MORE THEN BEGIN INVENTORY OF
EXPORT CONTROLS OVER NEXT FEW MONTHS.

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